

this category. The city side development of the remaining Non-Metro airports will be done under PPP.

Tout menace at Delhi Airport

2889. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the menace of touts and incidents of theft are on the increase at the international airport in Delhi ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (c) what remedial action Government propose to take to control the situation in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) As per the available information, the tout cases are on decline whereas theft cases have increased during the last two years. A total number of 435 & 306 respectively. The theft cases during these two years were 59 & 122 respectively.

(c) Regular efforts are made to improve surveillance at the airport to curb all kinds of undesirable activities.

New Airports in Private Sector

†2890. SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government purpose to set up new airports in private sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any proposal is pending from the State Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Government has approved proposals for setting up of greenfield airports at Hyderabad and Bangalore in Private Public Partnership (PPP).

(c) A proposal from Government of Maharashtra to set up a greenfield airport at Navi Mumbai near Panvel consideration of the Government. For setting up a greenfield airport at Mopa (Goa), 'in-principle' approval has been given.

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